

## Message Text

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ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 IO-14 DPW-01 AID-20 CIAE-00 DODE-00

PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-04 RSC-01

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAIGON 20486

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, MILI, VS

SUBJ: MORE COMMAND CHANGES IN MR 3

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SAIGON FROM BIEN HOA DEC 06  
REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.

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BIEN HOA 636

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1. MAJ. GEN. NGUYEN VAN HIEU WAS ASSIGNED DEC. 3 TO FILL VACANT  
POSITION OF MR 3 DEPUTY COMMANDING GENERAL FOR CORPS AFFAIRS (ARVN  
UNITS). POSITION HAS BEEN VACANT SINCE JUNE 1973 WHEN GEN. LE VAN  
HUNG DEPARTED TO BECOME CG, 21ST ARVN DIV. IN MR 4. HIEU WAS  
FORMERLY SECRETARY OF COMMITTEE FOR ELIMINATION OF CORRUPTION IN  
VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. LTG DAO DUY AN REMAINS AS DEPUTY CG  
FOR TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS (SECTOR, RF, PF, PSDF).

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2. COL. VU NGOC TUAN REPLACED COL. NGO VAN MINH NOVEMBER 12 AS  
CHIEF OF STAFF AT MR 3. COL. MINH WAS ASSIGNED DEPUTY  
COMMANDER OF 18TH DIVISION, BUT DUE HIS LACK OF COMMAND EXPERIENCE,  
IT IS RUMORED HE MAY NOT LAST.

3. COL. NGUYEN CONG KHANH REPLACED COL. LE VAN TU AS MR 3 RDOC  
CHIEF NOVEMBER 30. HE WAS FORMERLY AN INSTRUCTOR AT RVN WAR  
COLLEGE. SIGNED BIRD.

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